

COUNTRY East Germany SECURITY INFORMATION REPORT NO. TOPIC Zerbst AirfieldEVALUATION see below PLACE OBTAINED 25X1ADATE OF CONTENT 25X1CDATE OBTAINED DATE PREPARED 28 July 1953

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. In the morning on 4 June 1953, there was air activity by swept-back jet fighters at Zerbst airfield. Fourteen planes were parked along the runway, while additional planes were aloft. MiG-15s, including red Nos 130, 222, 229, 234, and 237, took off individually and in elements of two and were aloft for 20 to 25 minutes. ¹
2. In the fuel dump, two permanent pipe lines were being constructed about 50 cm 25X1C above ground.

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4. On 10 June, one SCR-602 type radar set and one radar set of another type which belonged to Zerbst airfield were observed in the woods southeast of kilometer marker 77.9, about 1 km south of Kerchau. Three low wooden buildings with quartering facilities for 10 men each were near the sets. One line extended from the sets to Zollmuhle where it connected to the commercial electric mains, another one extended to the airfield. The installation was heavily guarded. ²
5. An AA gun emplacement was observed south of the radar installation and east of the fuel dump. No details could be identified. ³
6. A barracks installation guarded by a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia was located at the road fork at the north-eastern exit of Zerbst in the direction of Dobritz. Along this road just north of the barracks installation were multi-family houses which were frequented by female Soviet soldiers with black-bordered blue epaulets and female Soviet civilians. These personnel either individually or in small groups and carrying blankets, were observed proceeding toward the airfield. ⁴

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Comment. A Dumbo-type radar set was observed previously at the field. It is believed, however, that a SCP-602 (kniferest) type radar set and a fish-net type radar set in addition to the Dumbo type radar set are located at the field as at other fields at which fighter division headquarters are stationed.

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Comment. A light AA battery is emplaced north of the runway.

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Comment. Units of the 7th Gds Tank Div are quartered in the barracks installation.

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